MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know whether the Government have sanctioned the estimate sent up by the Railway Company?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): It is being examined.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know when the Government received the estimate?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): On the 26th April 1935.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know how long the Government will take to pass final orders on the subject?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Estimates were sent back for revision and they were received back only on 4th November.

MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil II*): May I know from the member if the work will be undertaken this year?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): After the estimate is sanctioned, the work will be taken up in hand and there is provision in the estimate.

MR. N ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*): May I know its approximate cost?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Rs. 4,698.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know from the member who examined the estimates in the Travancore Government service. These are estimates sent by the Railway Company?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): The Chief Engineer.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Is he a Railway expert?

PRESIDENT: For building a Railway Station, should the Chief Engineer be a Railway expert? If it is perhaps an extention of a railway line, I could understand the question (*Laughter*)

Grant-in-aid to Mazhuveli Vaidyasala.

58. ❋ MR. E. K. KUNJURAMAN (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that there is a recognised *vaidyasala* in Mazhuveli, Pantalam Vadakekara; and

(*b*) whether they are aware that this is the only *vaidyasala* for the use of the people of that place which has a radius of more than five miles?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) This does not arise.

MR. E. K. KUNJURAMAN (*Nominated*): പന്തളം വടക്കേകരപക്ഷത്തിയിൽ ഏതെങ്കിലും വൈദ്യശാല ഉള്ള തായി അറിയാമോ?

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MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : ഇലവന്തിട്ട ഒരു വൈദ്യശാല ഉള്ളതായിഅറിയാം.

MR. E. K. KUNJURAMAN (*Nominated*) : ഒരേ ഒരു വൈദ്യശാലമാത്രമാണ് ഈപ്രകൃതിയിൽഉള്ളതെന്ന് അറിയാമോ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : വേറെ വൈദ്യശാല ഉള്ളതായി അറിവില്ല.

MR. E. K. KUNJURAMAN (*Nominated*) : വേറെ വൈദ്യശാലകൾ ഈസ്ഥലത്ത് ഇല്ലെന്നുകാണുന്നപക്ഷം പ്രസ്തുതസ്ഥലത്തുള്ള വൈദ്യശാലയ്ക്ക് ഗ്രാൻറ് കൊടുത്തുസഹായിക്കുന്നതിന് ഗവണ്മെൻറിനു ദയവുണ്ടാകുമോ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : ഗവണ്മെൻറ് അതിനെപ്പറ്റി ആലോചിച്ചുകൊണ്ടിരിക്കുകയാണ്.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*) : May I know how Government determine the priority of different candidates when making appointments ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : If there is more than one appointment to be made, probably the best qualified will be given preference.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*) : Am I to understand from the member that a person who sent his application first will not be preferred to one who sent it later ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : Priority of application is not the criterion for selection.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*) : Will that also be considered ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : Yes.

Appointment in the Ayurveda Department.

59. ✻MR. E. K. KUNJURAMAN (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether priority in passing examination has been accepted as a qualification for appointment in the Ayurveda Department ; and

(*b*) if so, the reasons for appointing persons who have passed the Vaidya Kalanidhi examination later in preference to those who have passed earlier ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) No.

(*b*) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

MR. E. K. KUNJURAMAN (*Nominated*) : ഏതു തത്വത്തെ അടിസ്ഥാനപ്പെടുത്തിയാണ് ആയുർവ്വേദ ആശുപത്രിയിൽ അസിസ്റ്റൻറ് വൈദ്യന്മാരെ നിയമിച്ചുവരുന്നത് ?

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